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COMMAND AREA DEVELOPMENT AND WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the restructured Command Area Development (CAD) and Water Management programmes have not achieved the results;

(b) if so, the factors altributed thereto;

(c) the states where the work has been completed so far under the said programmes; and

(d) the steps taken by the Union Government to help in achieving the targets fixed under the said programmes?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) No, Sir. The progress under restructured Command Area Development and Water Management Programme has been satisfactory except for the new components of correction of system deficiencies up to distributaries of 150 cusec capacity and the renovation of minor irrigation tanks.

(b) For implementation of new components of correction of system deficiencies up to distributaries of 150 cusec capacity and the renovation of minor irrigation tanks, formation of legalized Water Users; Associations is pre-requisite, which is taking time as several States have not yet enacted a new Participatory Irrigation Mangement Act or make amendments in the existing Irrigation Act to facilitate formation of Water Users' Associations.

(c) Projects under the restructured Command Area Development & Water Management Programme are continuing in all the states except in Goa where all CAD projects were completed prior to restructuring of the programme.

(d) The programme implementation is being monitored and reviewed periodically to ensure achievement of the targets.